

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA - FEBRUARY, 1964

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State: at 30.9.1963

Males - 395,209 Females - 382,592 Persons - 777,801

Metropolitan: at 30.6.1963

Persons - 445,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Particulars	JANUARY				Twelve Months ended DECEMBER			
	1964		1963		1963		1962	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Marriages	595	9.01	611	9.39	5,755	7.45	5,466	7.24
Births	1,481	22.42	1,643	25.25	17,278	22.35	17,064	22.59
Deaths	469	7.10	539	8.28	5,975	7.73	5,810	7.69
Infant Mortality (b)	31	20.93	45	27.39	350	20.26	380	22.27

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births.

(b) Deaths under one year.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Item	Three Months ended 31st December		Six Months ended 31st December	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
	£	£	£	£
Revenue	21,209,993	20,103,270	41,330,914	38,610,719
Revenue per Head of Population	27.2	26.3	53.2	50.8
Expenditure	21,819,552	20,811,506	42,309,586	39,892,962
Expenditure per Head of Population	28.0	27.3	54.4	52.5

SALE OF GOODS AND SALES TAX COLLECTED

Item	Period of Receipt of Return			
	FEBRUARY		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY	
	1964	1963	1964	1963
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Sales Exempt from Tax	12,529	12,596	115,886	111,223
Net Taxable Sales	5,318	5,739	47,481	47,041
Tax Collected	695	750	6,557	6,357

TRADING BANKS

Year	Average Weekly Clearings (£ million)											
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1962	25.9	26.5	26.4	24.8	25.9	24.1	26.3	24.6	24.8	27.2	26.3	27.1
1963	30.4	31.2	27.7	30.4	29.1	27.3	30.3	28.3	29.1	31.7	30.6	32.2
1964	33.6	33.3										

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances		At the end of FEBRUARY		
		1964	1963	1962
Total		115,414,000	99,393,598	86,693,872
Per Head of Population		147.5	129.5	115.8

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Eight Months ended FEBRUARY					
	1964			1963		
	No.	Liabilities £	Assets £	No.	Liabilities £	Assets £
Sequestration Orders	123	207,367	41,587	113	188,954	33,706
Compositions, Assignments and Deeds of Arrangement (a)	41	146,509	92,823	50	804,752	887,903

(a) Under Parts XI and XII of Bankruptcy Act.

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Type of Company		FEBRUARY		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY	
		1964	1963	1964	1963
Local	No.	34	20	291	318
Nominal Capital	£	1,145,000	2,111,000	11,601,000	28,111,000
Foreign	No.	18	27	133	121

CROWN LAND TRANSACTIONS

Type of Transaction	FEBRUARY		Two Months ended FEBRUARY	
	1964	1963	1964	1963
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Land Conditionally Alienated	3,584	20,173	28,011	98,660
Pastoral, Special and Miscellaneous Leases Issued by Lands Department	118	2,515,253	604	2,518,596

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		FEBRUARY		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY	
		1964	1963	1964	1963
Transfers	No.	2,510	2,121	18,540	16,185
	£	7,151,257	5,885,272	48,150,044	38,190,548
Mortgages	No.	1,828	1,493	14,602	12,366
	£	5,208,842	3,667,996	40,958,971	30,869,469
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	1,359	1,187	10,433	9,277

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS

Item		JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
		1964	1963	1964	1963
Gross Earnings	£	1,570,200	1,465,000	9,716,900	9,023,600
Operating Expenses	£	1,308,646	1,273,430	9,306,248	8,983,893
Train Miles		651,394	643,406	4,296,027	4,307,593
Motor Bus Miles		(a) 137,322	(b) 133,131	(c) 964,730	(d) 958,482
<u>Passenger Journeys</u>					
Train		811,492	889,043	6,346,528	6,735,399
Motor Bus		22,294	23,482	153,794	159,362
<u>Tonnage Carried</u>					
Goods (excl. Livestock) -					
Paying		473,935	431,762	2,686,334	2,363,529
Free (Departmental)		34,999	40,582	290,836	359,679
Livestock		7,743	9,063	76,414	83,801
Total:		516,677	481,407	3,053,584	2,807,009
<u>Net Ton Mileage</u>					
Goods (excl. Livestock) -					
Paying		76,486,398	68,219,116	418,943,916	379,426,762
Free (Departmental)		3,507,254	3,681,982	29,039,592	36,401,936
Livestock		1,149,886	1,097,354	11,589,535	11,651,807
Total:		81,143,538	72,998,452	459,573,043	427,480,505

(a) 4 weeks ended 25th January.

(b) 4 weeks ended 26th January.

(c) Period 1st July to 25th January.

(d) Period 1st July to 26th January.

EXTERNAL TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

£'000

Period	IMPORTS			EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)		
	Oversea	Interstate	Total	Oversea	Interstate	Total
1958-59	44,986	101,215	146,201	91,801	34,692	126,493
1959-60	46,181	123,348	169,529	120,068	38,930	158,998
1960-61	55,265	122,737	178,002	159,538	45,231	204,769
1961-62	50,089	122,604	172,693	148,499	42,313	190,812
1962-63	56,320	156,856	213,176	127,363	45,818	173,181
Seven Months ended January -						
1963	32,284	81,686	113,970	71,699	26,631	98,330
1964	34,924	76,576	111,500	90,221	26,704	116,925

MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD (a)

Item		DECEMBER		Twelve Months ended DECEMBER	
		1963	1962	1963	1962
Quantity	Fine oz.	61,851	76,242	802,860	860,039
Value (Aust. Currency)	£	966,416	1,191,282	12,544,681	13,438,113
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies	£	665,124	579,944	2,164,495	2,085,802

(a) Including gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. Value is in terms of Australian currency, excluding amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold, and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

COMMODITIES PRODUCED

Item	Unit	JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
		1964	1963	1964	1963
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	number	187	260	2,733	3,082
Bricks - Standard (all types)	'000	10,973	7,765	87,007	73,690
Fibrous Plaster - Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	101	94	911	888
" " - Acoustic Tiles	sq. yd.	2,601	1,425	16,076	11,222
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,333	2,212	17,172	17,820
Plaster of Paris	"	1,430	1,078	11,783	12,070
Ready-mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gallons	33,670	29,874	313,408	258,032
Timber, Sawn (from Local Logs) (a)	'000 super. ft.	13,716	13,507	112,379	110,540
<u>Clothing</u>					
Pyjamas, Woven - Men's and Boys'	dozen	846	853	7,221	5,567
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	4,632	2,891	35,384	33,663
Suits - Men's - 2 & 3 piece	number	588	497	6,677	6,588
Trousers - Men's - Sport	"	8,215	7,894	81,754	67,211
- Work	"	11,406	7,023	68,069	59,537
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (all types)	pair	26,735	35,220	441,479	458,380
Slippers	"	5,876	4,134	77,065	74,538
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	809	785	4,068	3,660
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	37,875	36,329	190,274	192,095
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	586	568	5,484	5,534
Butter (b)	"	787	901	12,411	12,558
Cheese (b)	"	205	247	2,730	2,709
Flour (excl. Self-raising Flour)	ton (2,000 lb.)	12,706	10,076	85,592	76,902
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acid - Sulphuric	ton	24,345	24,129	164,877	145,813
Bran	ton (2,000 lb.)	2,449	2,014	16,059	14,870
Coal	ton	58,301	50,281	511,286	533,506
Electricity Generated	'000 kwh	107,681	102,155	754,358	705,432
Gas (Town) Produced	million cub. ft.	102	101	847	837
Mattresses - Soft-filled (c)	number	4,344	3,637	28,990	23,628
Pig Iron	ton	3,983	4,038	27,223	26,334
Pollard	ton (2,000 lb.)	2,041	1,773	13,048	11,692
Superphosphate	ton	67,782	71,328	464,273	413,943
Wool - Scoured	'000 lb.	2,810	2,545	17,847	18,328

- (a) Includes railway sleepers and plywood veneers in terms of super. feet.
 (b) Particulars from Dairy Products Equalization Committee Ltd.
 (c) Includes mattresses of rubber, plastic foam and sponge, but excludes inner-spring mattresses.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS AND MEAT PRODUCTION

SLAUGHTERINGS (Number)					
Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
January 1964	25,990	2,515	105,420	60,121	13,746
1963	21,287	2,094	120,825	52,619	16,950
7 Months ended January 1964	199,436	18,856	795,007	611,386	119,462
1963	156,897	15,654	984,616	593,874	154,820
MEAT PRODUCTION (a) (Tons)					
Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork
January 1964	4,838	115	1,971	856	735
1963	4,032	89	2,209	742	866
7 Months ended January 1964	38,707	866	15,195	8,688	6,328
1963	30,805	690	18,178	8,118	7,603

(a) Dressed carcass weight of livestock slaughtered for local consumption and export - includes meat used in smallgoods, canned meat, and bacon and ham.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

The term "Metropolitan" refers to the Metropolitan Traffic Area

Period	Non-Casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents (a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State
1959	6,349	8,492	2,474	3,521	8,823	12,013	86	171	3,135	4,624
1960	7,180	9,559	2,598	3,713	9,778	13,272	94	199	3,289	4,862
1961	4,221	6,111	2,391	3,528	6,612	9,639	79	172	3,110	4,779
1962	4,482	6,556	2,586	3,685	7,068	10,241	83	177	3,425	5,077
1963	6,206	8,581	2,914	4,058	9,120	12,639	110	198	3,734	5,399
1963 -										
January	312	491	221	311	533	802	7	12	283	419
February	345	500	196	279	541	779	9	20	250	365
March	395	544	268	381	663	925	6	15	349	513
April	468	721	267	383	735	1,104	11	15	334	505
May	589	823	249	340	838	1,163	9	14	317	456
June	579	785	244	335	823	1,120	8	19	304	440
July	670	861	239	322	909	1,183	6	12	303	414
August	652	860	253	343	905	1,203	9	17	313	441
September	557	740	234	335	791	1,075	12	18	314	449
October	549	768	216	301	765	1,069	11	17	272	402
November	535	732	272	373	807	1,105	7	12	366	521
December	555	756	255	355	810	1,111	15	27	329	474

(a) Non-casualty accidents prior to 1961 exclude those where estimated damage was £10 or less; from January, 1961 they exclude those where estimated damage was £25 or less.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State (a)				
	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1959	5,957	1,205	2,454	20	1,615	9,785	1,962	5,684	55	2,187
1960	8,172	1,774	2,403	27	1,053	12,713	2,951	5,655	66	1,470
1961	6,947	1,871	2,221	30	591	10,670	3,228	5,104	70	903
1962	11,161	3,220	2,786	47	651	16,670	5,151	6,036	106	898
1963	12,597	3,766	2,960	76	470	18,429	6,048	6,755	130	683
1963 -										
January	893	271	161	3	65	1,348	422	361	11	92
February	1,017	309	246	5	45	1,458	476	548	17	69
March	934	271	247	6	45	1,360	453	579	10	71
April	852	282	249	5	44	1,223	438	551	9	59
May	985	304	275	7	30	1,431	481	642	13	37
June	902	261	248	11	19	1,399	448	526	15	30
July	1,185	333	241	8	38	1,687	533	566	9	64
August	1,251	287	267	7	33	1,830	457	518	13	47
September	1,216	352	245	7	25	1,723	576	554	10	45
October	1,258	374	296	5	47	1,816	563	695	6	67
November	1,057	338	266	2	35	1,546	548	661	4	46
December	1,047	384	219	10	44	1,608	653	554	13	56
1964 -										
January	870	234	210	4	44	1,248	365	429	15	65

(a) See note (a) to table below.

MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State (a)			
	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1959 -								
June	75,203	25,222	584	9,080	118,112	66,617	1,213	13,411
December	78,759	25,955	571	9,416	123,293	68,017	1,191	13,559
1960 -								
June	81,636	26,058	554	9,422	127,863	69,131	1,194	13,609
December	86,582	26,507	561	9,068	134,220	70,320	1,220	13,097
1961 -								
June	89,189	26,699	565	8,703	138,187	70,908	1,237	12,689
December	93,110	27,135	576	8,486	143,827	71,934	1,264	12,244
1962 -								
June	97,977	27,490	585	8,285	151,013	73,454	1,294	12,056
December	105,559	28,174	605	8,093	160,460	74,492	1,303	11,632
1963 -								
June	111,118	28,571	606	7,749	167,446	75,260	1,345	11,190
December	119,309	29,692	613	7,477	178,500	77,700	1,337	10,650

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.

BUILDING PERMITS AND APPROVALS

Period	New Houses and Flats (Individual Units)				Other New Buildings			Grand Total, including Additions & Alterations		
	Private	Govt.	Total		Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1961-62	5,016	1,867	6,883	21,711	6,010	8,690	14,700	25,365	14,468	39,833
1962-63	5,737	1,729	7,466	24,103	8,190	6,736	14,956	31,208	11,827	43,035
1963: February	528	74	602	1,859	956	121	1,077	2,915	342	3,257
March	577	105	682	2,027	846	1,084	1,930	2,864	1,398	4,262
April	544	191	735	2,339	628	679	1,307	2,826	1,206	4,032
May	560	195	755	2,523	618	560	1,178	2,928	1,123	4,051
June	461	269	730	2,364	454	652	1,106	2,301	1,541	3,842
July	530	186	716	2,400	607	524	1,291	2,857	1,199	4,056
August	718	157	875	2,736	877	3,361	4,238	3,487	3,817	7,304
September	626	228	854	2,850	2,113	383	2,496	4,553	1,103	5,656
October	815	185	1,000	3,137	2,051	2,123	4,174	5,136	2,615	7,751
November	491	189	680	2,249	760	313	1,073	2,848	805	3,653
December	514	114	628	2,104	598	2,012	2,610	2,638	2,389	5,027
1964: January	457	78	535	1,703	827	687	1,514	2,565	929	3,494
February	585	120	705	2,403	831	236	1,067	3,299	567	3,866

BUILDING OPERATIONS

The figures in the two following tables cover the operations of all builders who accept contracts for the construction of new buildings, "day-labour" building by Government Agencies and the activities of "Owner-Builders".

NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings (a)				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc.							
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1959	1,452	3,880	4,657	14,134	138	986	731	9,376	6,978	28,376
1960	1,103	3,013	5,363	16,859	161	2,224	814	11,797	7,441	33,893
1961	1,075	2,963	5,258	17,272	126	1,744	858	10,965	7,317	32,944
1962	989	2,902	6,035	21,615	167	1,673	970	15,799	8,161	41,989
1963	997	3,040	6,628	23,256	216	3,045	941	12,907	8,782	42,248
1962: Dec. Qr.	262	715	1,742	6,853	51	543	259	3,436	2,314	11,547
1963: March Qr.	239	738	1,360	5,002	29	577	257	3,186	1,885	9,503
June Qr.	282	867	1,478	5,303	54	739	216	2,516	2,030	9,425
Sept. Qr.	218	671	1,670	5,589	66	803	221	3,943	2,175	11,006
Dec. Qr.	258	764	2,120	7,362	67	926	247	3,262	2,692	12,314

(a) Comprises Houses, Shop Dwellings, Flats (Individual Units) and Other Residentials.

NEW HOUSES COMPLETED

(Includes Owner-built Houses)

Period	Material of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Cement, etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1959	3,762	12,327	28	58	2,066	4,780	6	13	5,862	17,178
1960	4,582	14,972	21	60	1,573	3,911	5	7	6,181	18,950
1961	4,287	14,834	15	32	1,459	3,820	103	82	5,864	18,768
1962	5,070	17,836	91	395	1,320	3,676	15	26	6,496	21,933
1963	5,190	19,188	53	139	1,369	3,994	22	21	6,634	23,342
1962: Dec. Qr.	1,396	5,037	15	40	350	975	5	5	1,766	6,057
1963: March Qr.	1,149	4,226	21	58	319	960	1	1	1,490	5,245
June Qr.	1,231	4,679	8	28	311	798	8	8	1,558	5,513
Sept. Qr.	1,246	4,513	13	33	313	894	10	9	1,582	5,449
Dec. Qr.	1,564	5,770	11	20	426	1,342	3	3	2,004	7,135

AVERAGE PRICES OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1963											1964	
		Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FRUIT		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	13. 1	17. 1	13. 0	11. 4	10. 7	9.10	8. 9	8. 2	9. 3	11. 3	12. 1	9. 9	13.11
Oranges - Navel	bush.	-	-	-	30. 9	24. 1	25. 1	33. 8	35. 4	-	-	-	-	-
- Val.	bush.	24. 9	32. 7	40. 5	-	-	-	27. 9	26. 1	24. 6	30. 4	30. 6	34. 6	39. 5
Bananas - Local	lb.	10	11	1. 0	1. 2	1. 6	1. 1	1. 3	1. 1	9	9	8	11	9
Apples - Gr.Smith	bush.	-	-	16.10	16. 3	17. 4	22. 4	23. 1	21. 8	19. 2	18. 3	18. 4	13. 4	17. 1
- Other	bush.	22. 0	22.10	19.10	22. 9	23. 0	27. 0	31. 8	38. 2	36. 8	36. 2	40. 5	20. 9	26. 9
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	18. 2	15. 9	17. 5	18. 8	19. 2	23. 1	23. 0	21.11	18.11	-	-	31. 6	21. 2
Apricots	bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37. 3	30. 2	33. 8	-
Nectarines	bush.	26. 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31. 1	32.10
Plums	bush.	18. 0	28. 0	35. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22. 6	18. 9	19. 3
Peaches	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	20.10	30. 6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25. 3	21. 5	16.10
Grapes	Open flat cases	17. 0	23. 8	27. 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30. 9	20.11	20. 7
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate	8. 0	9. 0	9. 8	8.10	19. 8	19. 0	17. 2	10. 8	4. 8	9. 7	16. 2	17. 5	6. 0
Cauliflowers	dozen	17.10	17. 2	24. 2	20. 3	18. 2	15. 0	22. 9	27. 6	21. 4	19. 5	16. 6	-	25. 7
Lettuce	crate	11. 7	14. 1	14.11	9. 9	12. 2	18. 0	14. 3	10.10	12. 6	10. 1	7. 8	7. 7	6.11
Table Celery	doz.head	10.11	10. 0	9. 2	7. 2	8. 4	12.10	14.11	11. 2	12. 0	9. 6	12. 2	11. 8	10. 7
Beetroot	cwt.	25. 3	55. 3	64. 3	34. 2	37. 2	56. 8	57. 9	46. 0	73.11	59. 1	61.11	46. 4	43.11
Carrots	cwt.	54.11	69. 8	52. 2	26. 0	21.10	30. 1	26.10	26. 2	33. 9	24. 9	25.10	21. 5	19. 0
Parsnips	cwt.	49. 0	68. 4	60. 4	44. 0	55. 7	52. 2	64.11	56. 7	46. 7	57. 9	71. 1	47. 9	51. 6
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.bag	13. 9	13. 0	6.11	8. 6	23. 1	33. 4	19. 5	8. 4	4. 1	4. 7	11.10	6.10	5. 6
Swedes	cwt.	52.11	64. 3	61.10	50. 6	51. 0	56.11	70. 9	71. 4	60.11	51. 4	51. 2	33. 5	49. 7
Runner Beans	lb.	10	8	7	9	1. 3	1. 4	1. 5	11	1. 4	8	1. 0	9	8
Peas	lb.	1. 8	1. 4	1. 3	1. 8	1. 9	1. 3	1. 1	1. 0	11	1. 1	1. 5	1. 5	1. 7
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	2	3	4	3	5
Pumpkin	bag	26. 8	17. 2	19. 8	18. 1	19. 0	18. 7	24. 3	28. 3	30. 3	46. 7	38. 6	26.11	17.10
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	21. 3	25. 0	26.10	26.11	40. 4	32. 7	30. 3	38.10	40. 0	28. 1	12. 3	10. 4	12.10
		£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.
Onions (a)	ton	35. 0.0	35. 0.0	30. 0.0	35. 0.0	35. 0.0	35. 0.0(b)	(c)	(c)	(c)	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0
Potatoes (d)	ton	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0

- (a) Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants, delivered Metropolitan Area.
(b) £40 from the 22nd July and £45 from the 29th July.
(c) Onion Pool closed.
(d) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants, F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

A price has not been shown where the volume of sales of a particular item was not significant for that month.

Item	1963												1964	
	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
SHEEP														
Suckers	-	-	-	-	4. 7.10	4.10.10	4. 2. 8	3. 9. 0	3. 8. 9	3. 7. 5	3.14. 3	-	-	
Lambs														
In Wool	-	-	4.11. 0	4.18. 4	4. 9. 5	4.13. 8	4. 9. 7	-	-	-	-	4.14. 2	4.14. 6	
Shorn	4. 1. 5	3.17. 0	3.16. 0	4. 1. 7	3.11. 1	3.16. 2	3.10. 3	3. 9. 0	3. 6. 9	3. 2. 1	3. 4.11	4. 1. 2	3.16. 0	
Hoggets														
In Wool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4. 6.11	4.14. 0	
Shorn	3.15. 8	3.12. 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3. 7. 3	3. 5. 2	3. 7. 0	3. 9.11	3.12. 0	
Ewes														
In Wool	-	3. 8. 7	3. 8. 5	4. 2.10	4. 8.11	4. 3. 6	4. 2. 5	4. 9. 4	-	-	-	4. 3. 0	4. 6. 8	
Shorn	2.12. 0	2.15. 7	2.18.10	3. 4. 6	3. 0. 1	2.18. 4	2.18.11	2.15. 8	2.12.10	2.14. 1	2.17. 4	3. 9. 0	3.10. 7	
Wethers														
In Wool	-	3.18. 0	3.19.10	4.12. 5	4.19.10	5. 2. 0	5. 4. 0	4.14. 0	-	-	-	4.15. 8	4.15.11	
Shorn	3. 1. 7	3. 6. 0	3. 3. 4	3. 6. 2	3. 8. 3	3. 7.10	3. 4.11	3. 0. 2	2.19. 3	2.18. 8	3. 2. 5	3.16. 8	3.17. 8	
CATTLE														
Baby Beef	31. 8. 8	31.16. 5	33. 3. 6	35. 4. 3	35. 4. 3	34. 4. 2	34. 4.10	35. 4. 0	36. 3. 0	33. 9. 4	35. 0. 0	33.10.11	33. 4. 5	
Heifers	-	-	-	-	-	37. 5. 4	35.14. 4	37. 5. 3	35.17. 0	34. 0. 8	-	-	-	
Cows	38.16. 0	41. 0. 4	41. 4. 1	44. 5. 0	42. 3. 8	40.10. 7	39.18. 6	39.15.10	38.14. 9	36.12. 0	35. 6. 1	38.14. 1	43. 1. 2	
Steers	43.17. 9	43.17. 5	43.15. 6	49.11. 9	48.19. 5	46.17. 7	47.15. 0	46.15. 5	44. 1. 8	43.13. 2	43.16. 3	45.17. 1	43.11. 8	
Bullocks	-	-	-	54.10. 2	52. 3. 4	50. 9.11	52.10. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	
PIGS														
Slips	5.15. 4	-	5.19. 1	6.17. 9	6. 8. 0	6. 9. 1	7. 1.11	-	7.18. 3	7. 5. 6	7.12. 4	7. 4.11	6.13.10	
Porkers	11. 4. 0	10.14. 7	9.17.11	10.11. 8	10.19. 1	11. 1. 0	11. 8. 0	12. 0.11	12. 6.11	12.14. 3	12. 2.11	12. 5. 4	12. 9. 6	
Baconers	15.13. 0	15.16. 2	15.10. 1	15.18. 6	15.14. 8	15.12.10	15.18. 0	16.19. 9	17. 4. 8	17.13. 2	17. 8. 2	17.19. 0	18. 9. 6	

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVWEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	-	2. 9	2. 3	2. 6	2. 7	2. 7	2. 6	2. 7	2.11	3. 0	4. 1	-	3. 0
" Cocks	-	2. 3	2. 2	2. 6	2. 7	2. 6	2. 6	2. 6	2. 7	2. 7	3. 7	-	3. 5
Ducks	2. 3	2. 3	2. 0	2. 1	2. 3	2. 3	2. 6	2. 7	2.10	3. 3	3. 6	2. 7	2. 5
Drakes	2. 4	2. 3	2. 1	2. 2	2. 4	2. 5	2. 6	2. 8	2.10	3. 5	3. 8	2. 7	2. 5
Geese	-	-	-	-	-	-	2. 1	-	-	-	2. 9	-	-
Cockerels	2. 1	2. 6	2. 9	2. 8	2. 7	2. 7	2. 6	2. 6	2. 8	2. 6	2. 7	2. 5	2. 5
Capons	2. 2	2. 8	2.10	2. 9	2.11	2. 8	2.10	2. 7	2. 7	2. 9	3. 0	2. 8	2.11
Hens	1.11	1.11	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	2. 2	2. 1	2. 0	2. 1	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	1.11

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces)
(thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Persons	Month	Males	Females	Persons
1954 - June	141.2	43.2	184.4	1962 - November	156.9	54.9	211.8
				December	157.3	54.4	211.7
1959 - June	144.9	48.4	193.3	1963 - April	159.0	55.2	214.2
1960 - June	147.5	50.4	197.9	May	160.0	55.5	215.5
1961 - June	148.5	51.2	199.7	June	160.0	55.5	215.5
1962 - June	154.7	53.4	208.1	July	159.7	55.7	215.4
1963 - June	160.0	55.5	215.5	August	160.6	55.7	216.3
				September	161.1	56.0	217.1
				October	161.6	56.5	218.1
				November	162.7	57.2	219.9
				December (b)	163.8	56.9	220.7
INDUSTRY GROUPS							
Industry Group and Sub-group				November, 1963			
				Males	Females	Persons	
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping				1.6	-	1.6	
Mining and Quarrying				7.4	0.2	7.6	
Manufacturing				45.0	7.4	52.4	
Electricity, Gas, Water and Sanitary Services				5.0	0.2	5.2	
Building and Construction				20.7	0.3	21.0	
Transport -							
Road Transport and Storage				5.1	0.4	5.5	
Shipping and Stevedoring				4.1	0.2	4.3	
Rail and Air Transport				7.6	0.4	8.0	
Total - Transport and Storage				16.8	1.0	17.8	
Communication				5.3	1.1	6.4	
Finance and Property -							
Banking				2.9	1.3	4.2	
Other				2.8	2.1	4.9	
Total - Finance and Property				5.7	3.4	9.1	
Commerce -							
Retail Trade				16.9	12.7	29.6	
Wholesale and Other Commerce				12.3	3.5	15.8	
Total - Commerce				29.2	16.2	45.4	
Public Authority Activities n.e.i.				7.6	2.4	10.0	
Other Industries -							
Health, Hospitals, etc.				3.3	9.9	13.2	
Education				5.5	5.9	11.4	
Other (c)				9.6	9.2	18.8	
Total - Other Industries				18.4	25.0	43.4	
TOTAL				162.7	57.2	219.9	

n.e.i. denotes "not elsewhere included".

(a) These estimates replace entirely those published in the Monthly Statistical Summary prior to the issue for January, 1964. The prime purpose of this new series is the same as that of the previous series in that it aims to measure currently, and as nearly as possible with available data, monthly trends in employment in the defined field (See also footnote to corresponding table in the Monthly Statistical Summary for January, 1964).

Employees in rural industry and in private domestic service are not included in the estimates because the available data are inadequate.

Figures for current months are subject to revision.

(b) Preliminary figures.

(c) Comprises Law, Order and Public Safety; Religion and Social Welfare; Other Community and Business Services; Amusement, Sport and Recreation; and Hotels, Personal Service, etc. (excluding private domestic service).

INDUSTRIAL STOPPAGES (a)

Period	Coal Mining	Manufacturing			Building and Construction	Transport		Other Industries	All Groups
		Engineering Metals etc.	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Other		Stevedoring	Other		
Number									
1958	1	-	4	3	-	9	2	1	20
1959	-	-	6	2	1	9	2	-	20
1960	6	3	2	1	-	28	3	-	43
1961	2	2	2	-	3	12	1	-	22
1962	-	10	3	-	9	5	1	-	28
1962 - Sept. Qr.	-	5	1	-	5	-	-	-	11
- Dec. Qr.	-	1	1	-	2	2	-	-	6
1963 - March Qr.	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	4
- June Qr.	-	-	-	-	2	3	1	-	6
- Sept. Qr.	-	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	5
Workers Involved (b)									
1958	660	-	357	241	-	9,284	52	413	11,007
1959	-	-	1,310	100	1,957	7,712	168	-	11,247
1960	609	251	601	102	-	23,867	254	-	25,684
1961	455	3,787	192	-	151	5,087	15	-	9,687
1962	-	2,993	150	-	1,842	3,326	52	-	8,363
1962 - Sept. Qr.	-	1,300	78	-	986	-	-	-	2,364
- Dec. Qr.	-	309	45	-	767	810	-	-	1,931
1963 - March Qr.	-	-	-	-	400	1,980	-	-	2,380
- June Qr.	-	-	-	-	133	3,557	51	-	3,741
- Sept. Qr.	-	-	-	-	746	-	2,000	-	2,746
Man-days Lost									
1958	850	-	373	261	-	985	88	413	2,970
1959	-	-	2,576	288	833	7,510	36	-	11,243
1960	4,825	319	1,410	66	-	20,084	638	-	27,342
1961	5,025	532	343	-	992	16,326	15	-	23,233
1962	-	1,771	123	-	2,747	1,555	104	-	6,300
1962 - Sept. Qr.	-	1,372	60	-	1,356	-	-	-	2,788
- Dec. Qr.	-	150	36	-	1,166	542	-	-	1,894
1963 - March Qr.	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,676	-	-	2,676
- June Qr.	-	-	-	-	778	1,890	153	-	2,821
- Sept. Qr.	-	-	-	-	945	-	2,000	-	2,945
Estimated Loss In Wages (£'000)									
1958	3.3	-	1.1	.8	-	3.5	.5	1.2	10.4
1959	-	-	7.6	1.1	2.7	28.1	.1	-	39.6
1960	19.3	.7	3.6	.2	-	80.4	2.4	-	106.6
1961	20.2	1.8	2.6	-	4.6	65.3	.1	-	94.6
1962	-	7.0	.5	-	10.9	6.6	-	-	25.0
1962 - Sept. Qr.	-	5.3	.2	-	5.8	-	-	-	11.3
- Dec. Qr.	-	.8	.1	-	4.0	2.3	-	-	7.2
1963 - March Qr.	-	-	-	-	4.5	7.1	-	-	11.6
- June Qr.	-	-	-	-	3.3	8.6	.6	-	12.5
- Sept. Qr.	-	-	-	-	4.3	-	9.0	-	13.3

(a) Refers only to stoppages involving cessation of work for ten-man-days or more.

(b) Includes workers indirectly involved i.e. persons thrown out of work at the establishment where the stoppages occurred, but not themselves parties to the dispute.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

(Source: Department of Social Services)

Month	Persons receiving Benefits (a)			Amount Paid in Benefits		
	Un-employment	Sickness	Special (b)	Un-employment	Sickness	Special (c)
				£	£	£
1963 - February	3,094	813	131	68,096	21,124	2,117
March	2,806	795	125	62,200	20,475	2,022
April	2,699	804	120	60,418	22,459	2,430
May	2,603	788	124	57,974	21,761	2,151
June	3,179	907	154	57,675	23,457	2,249
July	3,488	917	129	77,440	20,721	2,288
August	3,196	958	131	83,443	21,911	2,360
September	2,884	881	125	69,423	21,816	2,381
October	2,308	947	125	65,113	25,604	2,452
November	2,077	861	117	48,256	22,750	2,228
December	2,843	823	119	52,281	22,574	2,301
1964 - January	2,958	844	119	64,178	20,169	2,423
February	2,704	788	113	54,598	19,458	1,873

(a) On the last Saturday of each month. (b) Includes migrants at reception and training centres and receiving Special Benefit. (c) Includes amounts paid to migrants - see note (b).

STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area			South-West Land Division			Goldfields and Rest of State		
	Male	Female		Male	Female		Male	Female	
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
29/7/63	15. 1. 6	11. 6. 1		14. 19. 11	11. 4. 11		14. 14. 1	11. 0. 7	

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

PERTH METROPOLITAN AREA

(Base of Each Index Series: Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group Index Numbers					Com- bined Index (All Groups)
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Mis- cellan- eous	
Year ended June						
1959	115.2	107.2	130.3	105.9	118.7	114.7
1960	118.4	108.2	133.5	107.1	120.9	116.9
1961	124.4	110.8	141.7	107.3	125.2	121.2
1962	123.5	111.7	146.4	107.3	125.3	121.6
1963	123.9	112.0	150.9	107.0	125.5	122.2
Quarters:						
1962 - March	123.4	111.8	147.1	107.1	124.9	121.5
June	124.2	111.5	147.8	107.2	124.9	121.8
September	124.7	111.7	148.8	107.2	124.8	122.1
December	122.8	111.8	150.9	106.9	124.9	121.7
1963 - March	123.7	112.0	151.2	106.9	126.0	122.3
June	124.4	112.4	152.6	107.0	126.1	122.8
September	124.6	112.6	153.3	105.0	126.2	122.7
December	123.7	112.6	155.7	104.9	128.2	123.1

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(£ million)

Period	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food-stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Footwear	Hardware, China and Glassware(a)	Electrical Goods, Pianos, etc.	Furniture, Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chemists' Goods	News-papers, Books, Stationery	Other Goods (b)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.(c)
1958-59	27.8	11.3	19.4	18.1	24.8	4.3	4.3	8.6	6.3	5.8	4.7	13.3	148.7	50.7
1959-60	29.6	11.9	21.6	18.9	27.1	4.7	4.7	13.4	7.3	6.3	4.7	14.6	164.8	59.5
1960-61	30.9	12.9	22.6	20.3	27.4	4.9	4.8	14.8	7.5	7.0	4.7	15.4	173.2	61.2
1961-62	32.6	13.5	23.8	20.7	28.7	5.1	5.0	14.0	8.0	7.8	5.0	16.2	180.4	67.1
1962-63	33.4	14.5	24.8	21.6	29.6	5.4	5.5	12.9	8.2	8.4	5.1	17.0	186.4	77.0
Sept. Qr.														
1958	6.8	2.9	4.5	4.0	5.9	1.0	1.0	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.1	3.2	35.2	12.1
1959	7.2	3.0	4.9	4.1	6.3	1.1	1.1	2.4	1.6	1.5	1.1	3.3	37.6	13.4
1960	7.3	3.1	5.2	4.3	6.7	1.2	1.2	3.7	2.0	1.6	1.1	3.6	41.0	16.5
1961	8.1	3.4	5.6	4.4	7.1	1.2	1.2	3.5	1.9	1.9	1.1	3.8	43.2	15.2
1962	8.1	3.5	5.9	4.7	7.2	1.3	1.3	3.4	2.1	2.1	1.2	4.0	44.8	19.0
1963	9.1	3.8	6.1	4.9	7.3	1.3	1.3	2.8	1.9	2.2	1.3	4.3	46.3	20.6
Dec. Qr.														
1958	7.4	2.8	5.0	5.1	7.1	1.2	1.2	2.9	1.7	1.6	1.3	4.0	41.3	13.2
1959	7.7	2.9	5.6	5.2	7.7	1.3	1.3	3.5	2.0	1.7	1.3	4.3	44.5	15.5
1960	8.2	3.2	5.9	5.7	7.9	1.4	1.4	4.0	2.2	1.9	1.3	4.6	47.7	16.7
1961	8.8	3.4	6.1	5.8	8.0	1.4	1.4	4.0	2.2	2.1	1.4	4.7	49.3	16.8
1962	8.8	3.7	6.5	6.0	8.5	1.5	1.5	3.8	2.3	2.4	1.5	5.0	51.5	20.5
1963	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	53.6	(a)
March Qr.														
1959	6.7	2.7	5.2	4.9	5.1	0.9	1.0	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.2	3.0	35.5	12.6
1960	7.2	2.9	5.8	5.1	5.9	1.0	1.1	3.5	1.8	1.5	1.2	3.4	40.4	14.9
1961	7.6	3.2	6.1	5.8	5.6	1.0	1.1	3.4	1.6	1.7	1.2	3.5	41.8	13.8
1962	7.7	3.3	6.3	5.8	6.1	1.1	1.2	3.4	1.9	1.9	1.3	3.8	43.8	16.7
1963	8.0	3.5	6.4	5.9	6.1	1.1	1.3	2.9	1.9	1.9	1.2	4.0	44.2	18.6
June Qr.														
1959	6.9	2.9	4.7	4.1	6.7	1.2	1.1	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.1	3.1	36.7	12.8
1960	7.5	3.1	5.3	4.5	7.2	1.3	1.2	4.0	1.9	1.6	1.1	3.6	42.3	15.7
1961	7.8	3.4	5.4	4.5	7.2	1.3	1.1	3.7	1.7	1.8	1.1	3.7	42.7	14.2
1962	8.0	3.4	5.8	4.7	7.5	1.4	1.2	3.1	2.0	1.9	1.2	3.9	44.1	18.4
1963	8.5	3.8	6.0	5.0	7.8	1.5	1.4	2.8	1.9	2.0	1.2	4.0	45.9	18.9

(a) Excludes basic building materials, Builders' Hardware and Supplies, e.g. Tools of Trade, Paint, etc. (b) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Jewellery, Sporting Goods, etc. but excludes Grain and Produce and Business Machines. (c) Excludes Tractors, Farm Machinery and Implements, Earthmoving Equipment, etc. (d) Not yet available.

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF RETAIL BUSINESSES AND NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Balances Outstanding at end of period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (All Goods)	
HIRE PURCHASE					
1961-62	15,253	2,642	6,656	24,551	38,359
1962-63	19,953	3,102	6,105	29,160	43,156
Quarters -					
1962: June	4,734	619	1,463	6,816	38,359
September	4,912	432	1,589	6,933	40,001
December	5,053	1,226	1,748	8,027	42,700
1963: March	4,996	609	1,402	7,007	41,926
June	4,992	835	1,366	7,193	43,156
ALL OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT (b)					
1961-62	1,194	50	6,247	7,491	8,213
1962-63	1,842	69	5,115	7,026	8,706
Quarters -					
1962: June	379	14	1,682	2,075	8,213
September	435	1	1,469	1,905	8,598
December	420	13	1,605	2,038	8,729
1963: March	471	43	839	1,353	8,646
June	516	12	1,202	1,730	8,706
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT					
1961-62	16,447	2,692	12,903	32,042	46,572
1962-63	21,795	3,171	11,220	36,186	51,862
Quarters -					
1962: June	5,113	633	3,145	8,891	46,572
September	5,347	433	3,058	8,838	48,599
December	5,473	1,239	3,353	10,065	51,429
1963: March	5,467	652	2,241	8,360	50,572
June	5,508	847	2,568	8,923	51,862

(a) See footnote (a) below. (b) Includes Time Payment, Budget Account, Personal Loan Schemes, etc.

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)					Collections during period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)	Balances Outstanding at end of period (incl. Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.		Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (All Goods)		
	New	Used					
1961-62	7,558	6,795	2,306	2,418	19,077	22,455	27,239
1962-63	9,447	10,203	2,843	2,434	24,927	24,838	33,655
1963: January	833	952	146	226	2,157	2,536	32,133
February	712	795	206	195	1,908	3,319	31,306
March	817	816	234	210	2,077	2,245	31,720
April	813	868	264	201	2,146	1,960	32,405
May	877	960	307	230	2,374	2,140	33,198
June	743	762	202	177	1,884	1,837	33,655
July	)				2,400(c)	(	34,200(c)
August	)				2,200(c)	(	34,900(c)
September	)				2,200(c)	(	35,500(c)
October	) (b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	2,700(c)	(b)	37,100(c)
November	)				2,600(c)	(	38,200(c)
December	)				2,200(c)	(	38,700(c)
1964: January	)				2,400(c)	(	38,900(c)

(a) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods.

(b) Not yet available. (c) Preliminary estimates, subject to revision.

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